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Purchasing Office RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

ITEM No 35

Subject Authorize award, negotiation and execution of a contract with IFACTOR CONSULTING, Westminster, CO for the purchase of data conversion, software installation and training in an amount not to exceed \$170,920

Amount and Source of Funding Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget for Austin Energy

Fiscal Note There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required

Additional Backup Material

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No Attachments Available

For More Information Art Acuña, Buyer II/512-322-6307

Purchasing Language Sole proposal received

MBE/WBE This purchase will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) No subcontracting opportunities were identified therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

The contract is to upgrade Austin Energy's Outage Management System (GE PowerOn) to the most recent 4 x supported version. The upgrade service will be provided by IFACTOR Consulting. This upgrade will provide enhanced functionality to the energy control center and will

1 Improve Internal and External Customer Service/Satisfaction 2 Improve Communications between Energy Control Center, Call Center, Customers, Management Team and Media Representatives during electric system outages 3 Improve efficiency of Outage Dispatch Operations 4 Increase the safety of field repair crews during emergency outage restorations with new critical functionality currently only available via manual distribution map board 5 Keep up with the evolution of the GE PowerOn product in order to continue to receive GE maintenance and support 6 Improve Public Utility Commission reporting indices by increasing the accuracy of customer counts per outage

MBE/WBE solicited 19/5 MBE/WBE bid 0/0

AAA0001 PRICE ANALYSIS a Sole proposal One potential proposer indicated he/she did not have the resources available at this time and others indicated the project was too small b. Five notices were sent. There are no known MBEs/WBEs for this commodity. Five solicitations were issued. One proposal was received. One No Offer was received.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION a Sole proposal received b The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award c Advertised on the internet